



# THE REGISTERED FORESTER

Winter 2021

## The Board Thanks Rick Johnson for Ten Years of Service

It is with a grateful and sad heart the Board says goodbye to Board member Rick Johnson. Rick has been a stalwart for the past ten years of service on the Board. As the new Director in 2014, he was my go-to guy. He is knowledgeable in all forestry matters, practical and proactive. No matter what the situation might have been, I knew I could pick up the phone and call Rick and he would give great advice or handle the matter himself. Under Rick's tenure, Board complaints were handled promptly, efficiently, and typically amicably.



*Chairman Damon Wilkinson (left) presents Raiford C. Johnson with a plaque of appreciation for his ten years of service to the Board.*

Rick is what you would call a self-made man, he has personally invested his life in land and timber. His father worked in the pulp mill, which might explain his love for forestry and why it is in his blood. He graduated from Auburn University in 1980 with a bachelor's degree in Forest Management. He formed his own company, Tuscaloosa Forestry Services, LLC in 1987. He also was a partner in Compania Maderera Golfito from 1996 to 1999 harvesting gmelina arborea plantations and producing wood chips in southern Costa Rica for Stone Container Corp. He was a partner in Northport Wood Products from 1995 to 2000 producing lumber for local steel mills. He also holds an Alabama Real Estate License.

Although Rick is very accomplished, he is your everyday GOOD guy. A great communicator who never meets a stranger, nor considers himself better than anyone. Rick serves his clients personally; he doesn't contract out the work that needs to be done. He is directly involved in their management whether it be burning, cruising, timber harvesting, etc. he is right there in the mix always doing what is in the best interest of his clients.

Rick is very family-oriented; you won't be around him long before you hear him talk about his dear wife Ellen, daughter Rebekah and his son-in-law Dan. He is a faithful

Auburn Forestry Alumni and giving of his time and resources to the betterment of the school. He will go out of his way to help those less fortunate and serve others. He is a selfless man. He is an example to the forestry profession and a model we should all try to emulate. In his own words, "I feel strongly, that sharing information about the practice of Forestry to the public is critical and, when the citizens of Alabama realize the forest products industry is one of the largest if not largest in our state, we will well be on our way to ensuring the cooperation of those outside our field. Working together, we will be able to harvest and deliver our timber to market and help grow our state's economy".

Five years ago, when Rick made the unlikely decision to remain on the board to serve another Five-year term, his goals and purposes were to work to amend several archaic laws that had been a hindrance to the Board for many years. It is only fitting that those rules were amended Rick's last year serving as Board Chair, which was no small feat. Many partners working together brought this goal to fruition. Another testimony to his dedication and service to the board's continued success.

Rick you have been a blessing to me. You are a great forester, dear friend and served the landowners of Alabama honorably and unselfishly giving of your time as a member of the Board of Foresters. You will be greatly missed.

Sincerely,  
Lea Anna



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### Hours of Operation

**Monday – Friday  
9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.**

*Due to building security,  
please call for an appointment.*

## In Memoriam

*We remember our fellow foresters  
who passed in 2021*

**Eugene A. Sample (#0335)**

**William Lawrence York (#0929)**

**Kenneth Joseph Muehlenfeld (#1432)**

## Eligible to Become Licensed

- |                           |                           |
|---------------------------|---------------------------|
| Jessica Ann Ascott        | Jack Buster Hinton        |
| Noah Paul Barcroft        | Thomas Bryant Jernigan    |
| Zachary Thomas Boone      | Caleb Killough            |
| Daniel Bryan Bowman       | Truett Wood Lawrence      |
| William Daniel Brown      | Wilson Barnes Lowe        |
| John N. Bryan             | Patrick Allen McKinney    |
| Andrew David Burns        | Joseph Nathaniel McLendon |
| Joseph Alexander Campbell | Thomas Cooper McMullen    |
| Charles David Cavley      | Henry Haynes Morris       |
| Thomas J. Cook            | Matthew Kyle Reaves       |
| Harold N. Cooley          | Grant Stearnes Ruthland   |
| John R. Cooper            | Zachary Andrew Slay       |
| Samuel Justin Criswell    | William Madison Steele    |
| James A. Dressler         | Wilson Bradley Steward    |
| Zachary Shane Dunning     | Cole Ray Swanson          |
| James Tristan Elrod       | Gary Michael Walker       |
| William Nicholas English  | Justin Davenport Waters   |
| Gregory Scott Flynt       | Jordan Marie Weaver       |
| John Thomas Fuller        | David C. West             |
| Charles Colton George     | Nathan James Williams     |
| Kasey Michelle Gordon     | Mark Anthony Woods        |
| Hannah G. Gregson         | John B. Young             |

## Renewal Reminder

The grace period for 2022 license renewal ends December 31, 2021. If you submitted your renewal but have not received your new ID card, please contact Lea Anna Meadows immediately at 334-240-9301 to make sure the renewal was received and processed.

If you renewed your license online an email was sent to you with your pocket card. The email will not be from the Board it will be from notifications@

alabamainteractive.net If you need me to resend the email with your RF card, please let me know.

Licenses not renewed by December 31, 2021 will be revoked. **The Board is required by law to send revocation notices to all non-renewing licensees, including those who, for whatever reason, intentionally allowed their license to lapse.**

**For foresters who may be looking for continuing education opportunities to renew your 2022 licenses, on-line webinars can be found at the links below.**

- **SOUTHERN REGIONAL EXTENSION FORESTRY (SREF): HAS ON DEMAND AND UPCOMING WEBINARS.** <http://www.forestrywebinars.net/>
- **ALABAMA COOPERATIVE EXTENSION SERVICE:** <https://www.facebook.com/AcesForestryWildlifeNaturalResources>
- **THE ALABAMA FORESTRY ASSOCIATION:** <https://www.alaforestry.org/page/ContinuingEducationOnline>
- **SOUTHERN FIRE EXCHANGE** <https://southernfireexchange.org/calendars/category/webinars/>  
(Note: no CFE's are available for archived webinars.)
- **THE SOCIETY OF AMERICAN FORESTERS:** <https://learn.eforester.org/>

Please keep these webinar links on file as Co-Vid could continue to limit in person access to workshops.

## 2021-Violations Committee Report

**The Board strongly believes that educating and seeking voluntary compliance will better serve the public interest. Therefore, before pursuing punitive enforcement, corrective and rehabilitative actions will be taken. A summary of investigations is presented below.**

**Complaint No. 21-001**

Complaint filed against a Non-Registered Forester by a Forester. Pending Resolution.

**Complaint No. 21-002**

Complaint filed against a Registered Forester by a Non-Registered Forester. Investigation on-going.

**Complaint No. 21-003**

Complaint filed by Landowner against a Non-Registered Forester. Investigation on-going.

## Alabama Tree Farm

Alabama's Tree Farm program is the 2nd largest state program in the nation with over 4000 active Tree Farms covering almost 2.2 million acres. Alabama was the first to form a state committee in 1941, and our program is stronger than ever today! We are very active in our state, promoting sustainable natural resource management on nonindustrial privately owned properties throughout Alabama. Our state Tree Farm program sponsors multiple landowner and youth educational events every year where natural resource professionals come together with private landowners to share knowledge and practical advice.

Tree Farm is much more than a recognition program for forest landowners. It provides landowners with internationally recognized forest certification through the Programme for the Endorsement of Forest Certification

(PEFC). It is also recognized by the Sustainable Forestry Initiative as meeting all of its sustainability standards. As a result, Tree Farm certified landowners are able to show proof of sustainable management and forest products originating from these properties meet

industry standards for sustainably sourced wood. To learn more about Alabama's program, please visit <https://alabamaforestryfoundation.org/alabama-tree-farm> or contact Cliff O'Rear at [corear@alaforestry.org](mailto:corear@alaforestry.org).



Registered Foresters caps will be available for purchase on January 14, 2022. There will be an additional \$5.00 charge for adding initials and RF number. Drop by the office and pick one up and save S/H cost. There are only 100 caps available; if we find that there is an interest in purchasing caps, we will have more available.

### Board Fees for 2022

Application Fee	\$60.00
Reinstatement Application Fee (Paid in addition to the applicable renewal fee)	\$150.00
Reciprocity Application Fees (Initial Application)	Same as charged for Alabama Applicants in the reciprocal state
Re-Examination Fee	\$100.00
Renewal Fees	
All Licensees	\$130.00
Late Penalty (Paid in addition to the applicable renewal fee)	\$100.00
License Replacement Fee (Certificate)	\$50.00
Printed Roster	\$10.00
Registered Forester Window Decal (Auto)	\$1.00
Registered Forester Cap	\$18 (+S/H)
Registered Forester Cap W/RF NO.	\$23 (+S/H)
Returned Check Fee	\$30.00

## New Registered Foresters

- Huffstutler, Kyle Douglas** 2367  
*Procurement Forester*  
Drennen Forestry LLC  
P.O. Box 1029  
Cullman, AL 35056  
Ph.: 256-595-2158  
Email: khuffstutler@drennenforestry.com
- Sessions, Andrew Douglas** 2369  
*Procurement Forester*  
Coastal Forest Products  
318 White Oak Way  
Greenville, AL 36784  
Ph.: 251-362-2997  
Email: dsessions@coastalusa.com
- DeBrunner, Darci Eriana** 2372  
*Madison Co Forester*  
Alabama Forestry Commission  
513 Madison Ave.  
Montgomery, AL 36104  
Ph.: 344-399-4702  
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- Booker, Russell Wayne Jr.** 2373  
*President*  
Scotch Land MGT.  
220 Main St.  
Fulton, AL 36451  
Ph.: 334-637-2129  
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- Norton, Jonathan Gray** 2374  
*Forester*  
Alabama forestry Commission  
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- Phillips, Ryan Blake** 2375  
*Forester*  
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- Dees, Andrew Eli** 2376  
*Wood Dealer*  
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- Ousley, Jonathan Reese** 2377  
*Silviculture Foresters*  
Weyerhaeuser  
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Thomasville, AL 36784  
Ph.: 334-636-4962  
Email: Reese.Ousley@weyerhaeuser.com
- Gordon, Jacob Benjamin** 2378  
*Forester*  
F&W Forestry  
1549 N. Charles Seivers Blvd  
Clinton, TN 37716  
Ph.: 865-507-7598  
Email: jgordon@fwforestry.com
- Jernigan, Hunter Joseph** 2379  
*Forester*  
American Forest MGT. INC.  
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Marianna, FL 32448  
Ph.: 850-526-5110  
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- Malone, Kyle Aaron** 2380  
*Silviculture Forester*  
Weyerhaeuser  
13005 SA 1st. Rd Ste. 241  
Newberry, FL 32669  
Ph.: 706-752-5282  
Email: kyle.malone@weyerhaeuser
- Horn, Patrick Alexander** 2381  
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Alabama Forestry Commission  
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Russellville, AL 35653  
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- Whigham, Jeremy C.** 2382  
*Projects Forester*  
Alabama A&M Unvi  
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Email: jeremy.whigham@aamu.edu
- Miles, Charles Holden** 2383  
*Forester*  
Alabama Forestry Commission  
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Fayette, AL 35555  
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Email: holden.miles@forestry.alabama.gov
- Stinson, Nicholas Cole** 2384  
*Resource Forester*  
Resource Mgt. Service, LLC.  
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Prattville, AL 36066  
Ph.: 334-380-5112  
Email: nstinson@resourcemgt.com
- Naron, Joel Edmond** 2385  
*Forester*  
Alabama Forestry Commission  
320 MLK Pkwy  
Livingston, AL 35470  
Ph.: 205-463-0011  
Email: joel.naron@forestry.alabama.gov

## New Reciprocity Forester

- Ingraham, Christian Douglas** SC1937  
*Forest Cert. Mgr.*  
Milliken Forestry Co.  
245 Stoneridge Dr.  
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Ph.: 803-788-0590  
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## ROSTER CHANGE REMINDER

The Board will print an updated roster in January 2022. You may view your current contact information on the online roster at <http://asbrf.alabama.gov/rosterofforesters.asp>. To submit changes, fax the form below to 334-353-3641 or submit the online Change of Address form at <http://asbrf.alabama.gov/vs2k5/changeofaddress.aspx>.

## UPDATE YOUR ROSTER INFORMATION

### CHANGE OF ADDRESS FORM

Full Name: \_\_\_\_\_ License Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Title: \_\_\_\_\_

Company: \_\_\_\_\_

Business Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Business City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_ County \_\_\_\_\_

Business Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Business Cell: \_\_\_\_\_

Business E-mail: \_\_\_\_\_

Home Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Home City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_ County \_\_\_\_\_

Home Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Personal Cell: \_\_\_\_\_

Home E-mail: \_\_\_\_\_